resented by the section of the organization that had s ,
the Grant regime, and Mr. Blairie also, with a *l&?*
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thusiastic following, assumed an attitude of oppositi°[n]
point. To hoth these factions the Secretary of the
hecame the favorite target for their spleen. In the
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1877 Mr. Whitelaw Reid, once closely identified with t e^ -
form movement which Schurz directed, opened the co
the New York *Tribune* to a series of vitriolic
Gail Hamilton upon the administration, in the course
the Secretary of the Interior received special atten 1 *
political relationship of the editor, and the family reia ^ ^.^
of the writer, to Mr. Elaine left no doubt as to the inspw[0]
of these attacks. In the spring of 1878 the Senator
Maine himself entered the arena. Schurz had early i[11]
as Secretary instituted vigorous measures for ending
tensive and inveterate depredations of lumbermen [U]P
forests of the public domain. The action of the g° .
was violently attacked on the floor of the Senate 0y
who represented Schurz's measures as a harsh and opp
application of European methods, by an official 01
birth, to high-spirited and freedom-loving American
From the Grant section of the party, also, came a p
ularly violent onslaught in March of 1878, through bena
Howe, of Wisconsin, though in this the offensi^eness ^
Schurz's German nativity was reduced to the

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view of the large foreign-born element in Wisconsin s p p
tion. j

The Secretary's philosophy and sense of B.um°r P
him from discomfort under these attacks. All the i &
innuendo which imputed un-American influence to ni

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disappear, he knew, when he should be again neede
the German vote for the Republicans. Only once di